

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SOUTHBAY

JUNE 2022

GOOD NEWS

Congratulations

CLASS OF 2022



Dara Tokeshi



Ty Kim



Justine Kiyohara



Zion Une



Kaila Minei

**Celebrate our graduates on
Sunday, June 12th at 10:30am worship!**



Like the school children at Robb Elementary in Uvalde, Texas, I was excited to start our June Good News with excitement for our Graduates, reception of New Members, and for the summer ahead of us. Unfortunately, like many disruptions in our lives throughout the pandemic, in addition to issues on raging wars, global warming, women's rights and feeding newborn children, we are reminded once again about the looming darkness that clouds our beautiful country with the worries and fears of gun violence. Violence against women, violence against people of color, nationalist violence, and again we are sadly reminded by the long list of gun violence against children and their educators that pervades our society today.

I have spent several sleepless nights trying to temper my anger and frustration with the shooters, the lawmakers and gun control with my grief and sadness over the many lives lost in schools, churches, grocery stores, and other public spaces. My heart is broken for the family members of the victims who perished in such tragic events. I think about how easy it is to shake a fist at God and try to find blame and the answer to the question, "WHY GOD? WHERE ARE YOU GOD?" just as the Psalmist asks in chapter 42. I feel hypocritical as a pastor to offer as our solution to find peace, to "offer our thoughts and our prayers."

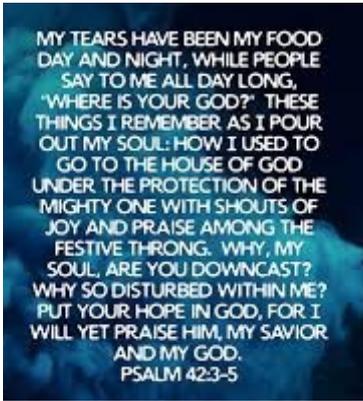
I say this because while our "thoughts and prayers" are well-meaning, where are our actions to make change in these systems and cycles of doing harm to our neighbor? I say this because it is very hard to reassure our children and young people, and our congregations, and our seniors that they are safe and protected in the House of God and in their schools and in your work places. But also without offering ways to lift up our spoken prayers into living prayers, then how else are we, as a sacred place of faith and love able to offer HOPE?

SPIRITUALLY:

- Join Faith as we have opened a time for several Memorial Weekend Vigils where we can support one another, pray together, and build better relationships across barriers that prevent neighbors from co-mingling: Sunday, May 29 Sacred Space for Processing and Prayer and a Candlelight Vigil; on Monday, May 30, a Memorial Day Gun Violence Vigil sponsored by CLUE Los Angeles at City Hall West.
- Creating spaces for Grief and Support Groups within our current structures (Women In Transition and Men's Support Group), as well as offering resources and spaces for trauma/grief/mental health support within our community. Offering tools and resources for Children and Families is also of great importance to us, so please let us know how we can support you.

FAITH-BASED ACTIONS:

- Access our UMC resource: The General Board of Church and Society and local activist groups working to change laws and policies in all areas of life that contribute to gun violence.
- Write/email your federal legislators and officials, especially to urge members of Congress in particular to have the important conversation and to take action on Guns and Public Safety and to encourage them to stand up to gun lobbyists. Even gun owners are in support of restrictions like



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PSALM 42:3-5

background checks and confiscating guns from people have been deemed legally unstable or dangerous.

- Flood the Capitol Switchboards with your calls to any member of Congress you'd like to speak to to demand that they pass legislation to tighten access to guns in this country, and assault weapons in particular. The Capitol switchboard number for the Senate is (202)224-3121. The number for the House of Representatives is (202)225-3121. Remember that you are among the 90% of Americans who agree that these sorts of restrictions are necessary.

- Engage local elected officials on strategies to protect our houses of worship, advocate for funding to buy back guns, and provide mental health support when needed. And VOTE for people who will stand up for gun reform; for children, for minorities, for elders, for your neighbor.

- Financially support groups that will do that on the public's behalf. Research organizations that are trustworthy. A notable few are: Children's Defense Fund (childrensdefense.org), March For Our Lives (marchforourlives.com), Everytown for Gun Safety (everytown.org), Sandy Hook Promise (sandyhookpromise.org), Giffords Pac (Americans for Responsible Solutions) (giffords.org)

- Wear **ORANGE** on Thursday, June 2 as "National Gun Violence Awareness Weekend" is kicked off. Learn more about gun violence's varied, complex causes and possible solutions.

CONGREGATIONAL PREPAREDNESS:

- With anxiety and worry over the protection and safety of our congregation, over the course of the next few summer months, Faith is creating a Safety and Security Team (a sub-team of the Board of Trustees), with the support of Neal Miyake (BOT chair), and Faith members Danny Hirata and Alan & Christine Bone. We hope to create an action plan, as well as host forums and informational training workshops to support our congregation for emergency preparedness (active-shooters, medical/natural emergencies, mental health issues)

There is so much grief and anguish that we are feeling over many things that we feel we do not have much control over in our lives. It is ok to feel overwhelmed. It is ok to just want to shut down and shut off the news. It is ok to feel helpless and hopeless, BUT we, as Christians, at some point, are called to step OUT of the darkness and into the light again. We must find ways to be present with those who need you, to connect with others who too are seeking healing and wholeness, to be a beacon of hope for others who feel trapped in a hopeless world.

I also ask that you, as people of Faith, pray fervently for the softening of the hardheartedness of far too many; elected officials and others. We must honor our vow to do no harm and renounce the powers of evil and wickedness and to act boldly. And we must honor Christ's new commandment that both Bishop Grant Hagiya and Minister 'Ainise reminded me from our sacred texts a few weeks ago: "Love each other. Just as I have loved you, so you must love each other. This is how everyone will know that you are my disciples, when you love each other." –John 13:34-35

So today, as we look to the light of Hope, I pray that we show the world that we are Christians through our love and by our actions. May you feel emboldened today to heed Christ's call for us all.

May you experience God's Peace in times such as these,

Allison

Rev. Allison K. Mark, Senior Pastor



Memorial Weekend Vigils

Sacred Space (for process time) and Mobilization

May 29, 2022 | 1PM | Faith United Methodist Church Southbay
2115 W. 182nd Street Torrance, CA 90504

Candlelight Vigil

May 29, 2022 | 7PM | Faith United Methodist Church Southbay
2115 W. 182nd Street Torrance, CA 90504

CLUE: Clergy & Laity United for Economic Justice

Memorial Day Gun Violence Vigil

May 30, 2022 | 10AM to 12PM | City Hall West
200 N. Spring S. Los Angeles, CA 90012



Nihongobu News

Pastor Becky



「ペンテコステ礼拝」

5月は、子どもの日と母の日のお祝いを覚え感謝する時をもちました。特に母の日ギフトボックスには美味しい日本の食べ物がたくさん入っていました。奉仕された皆様に感謝いたします。

6月5日はペンテコステ礼拝です。聖霊の神様が下り、力を受けた聖徒たちは、福音を伝え、日々伝道に励みました。そしてイエス様の弟子が次々と誕生したのです。今も私たちと共にいてくださる聖霊の神様は、信じる人に特別な力を注いで満たしてくださいませ。今年は、勝井母子の洗礼式が準備されています。新しい命の誕生です！聖霊の神様により、恵みに溢れる礼拝を期待し、一緒に教会が誕生した喜びを分かち合いたいと思います。キリストの体である素晴らしい教会を与えてくださった主に感謝しましょう。

In May, we thanked the Lord for Kodomo-no-hi (Children's Day) and Haha-no-hi (Mother's Day). The Mother's Day Gift box contained many oishii J-foods, especially mochi & kashi from Japan. Doomo arigato for those who helped out to box up the Haha-no-hi gifts together!

In June, we will celebrate Pentecostal Sunday. The Holy Spirit came down and led the birth and growth of the Christian church. There will be the baptism of Irene & Justina Katsui on June 5th. May God bless Irene & Justina as they start a new life in Christ! After worship, we hope that all of you will enjoy Kashi. May the Holy Spirit fill us, empower us, and draw us closer to God! 平田

Have YOU Graduated?

Welcome to the months of Graduations! As we have experienced and now enter the month of June, many of us have already received announcements and invitations to the graduation ceremonies of friends and family members alike. Graduations are a culmination of years of dedication, hard work, sleepless nights, stress, joy, pride, and achievement. High School graduations are a milestone in almost everyone's life because it marks the beginning of getting out into the world to begin to leave your mark. Some High School graduates enter into the workforce directly while others attend Trade Schools and Universities to gather more specific training and knowledge in a chosen field.

Although many graduation ceremonies are seen as long and boring as we all sit through speech after speech until at long last the name of the person we came to celebrate with is called and they walk across the stage to receive their diploma. We stand. We cheer! We clap. We celebrate! Then, we wait some more to allow others to celebrate with those who they came to watch graduate. Then, after the graduation we share hugs, high fives, and gifts are traditionally given. Of course, the day would not be complete without food! Sometimes we go to restaurants, other times we head back to someone's home to eat and to gather and to continue to celebrate.

In short, we make a really big deal about High School graduation, and we should because it is that important. We take the time to plan, we take time off of work, we rearrange our schedules, we drive for hours or we fly across the country just to attend these graduations. And again, we do this because it is a good thing to do to celebrate this milestone in a young person's life. Many of us will do this again when our loved ones graduate from a Trade School or a University. It is how we acknowledge these life changing events in this country.

And, of course, this got me thinking about our spiritual lives and our faith lives. We come to church each Sunday to hopefully learn something about our relationship with Christ. We attend Sunday School, we gather as a community in Worship, we hear a sermon, we sing praises to God, and we allow ourselves time for personal prayer with our creator and sustainer. In many ways, we are in school each and every Sunday. We are in school when we participate in a Bible Study. We are in school as we silently read and reflect on the Word of God in our homes. We are in school to learn how to be better followers of Jesus Christ.

But do we ever 'Graduate' from this so that we can enter the 'workforce' for God? Or do we stay in 'school' because it's safe and comfortable? There comes a time in our lives when we need to 'graduate' from the safety of the classroom and go out into the world to put

into practice that which we have learned. When was the last time you talked about God outside of the church? When was the last time you gave your personal testimony about how Jesus saved you in a location outside of church or a church related meeting? When was the last time you simply told someone that “Jesus Loves You?” When was the last time you sat with someone who rejected God with all their heart and where you provide comfort by simply being there?

Studying and going to school for Christ is all well and good and we are told time and time again that we should be meditating on the scriptures, but we also need to remember that Christ did not stay in one town and teach in just one place. He moved around from place to place, bringing the Gospel message of Love and Heaven to all he encountered. With Jesus as our role model, how do we think we can go through life without going into the world to do the same?

We live in a hugely divided world: Divided by Theology, divided by politics, divided by culture, divided by prejudice, divided by race, divided by gender, divided by finances, and the list goes on and on. What if we take a step back and focus on not what divides us, but what joins us? Things like love, compassion, trust, relationship, healing, comfort, sympathy, healing, family, support, and this list goes on and on as well. What if we begin to do the work of Christ instead of just talking about it? Do you think it would matter? Do you think we could make a difference in our community and in the world around us?

On Easter Sunday, we had various gatherings of many folks praying, singing, and welcoming the risen Savior as the sun rose beautifully over the church, the birds singing their praises to God as well. There was no talk of differences, because we were all there for one reason: To celebrate Jesus Rising from the dead!!! With one voice we said “He Is Risen, He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! Amen!”

If we can do this on Easter morning, why can't we do this the other 364 days of the year? We can, but we need to graduate, and we need to start doing the work that Christ wants us to: Saving the lost and loving them. That's it. Save and Love. Save and Love. Do you see a pattern? Save and Love in the hopes that one day someone will be there for us when we get lost and that they might save and love us back to the Kingdom of God.

Before I let you go, I wanted to share the Vision Statement of this church because it's important. Please take time to read it, to memorize it, so that we can go out and truly live it.

“GROWING DEEPER IN CHRIST, GOING FARTHER FOR CHRIST!”

Blessings!

'Ainise 'Isama'u

Church Life Coordinator





Sunday School
starting the month of March

1st Sunday Virtual 

2nd Sunday In-person
10:30am | outdoor | mask required

3rd Sunday Virtual 

4th Sunday In-person
Family Worship | All is welcome!

*5th Sunday Virtual 

The graphic is titled 'Sunday School starting the month of March' in a large, green, bubbly font. Below the title is a row of colorful cartoon children. The main content is a grid of five rows, each representing a Sunday. Each row has a green background with white text. The first and third rows are labeled 'Virtual' and include a blue circular icon with a white video camera. The second, fourth, and fifth rows are labeled 'In-person' and include additional details about the format. The background of the graphic features a subtle pattern of concentric circles.

Sunday School Classes:
Preschool - Kindergarten - 1st grade
2nd grade - 3rd grade
4th grade - 5th grade

For zoom class information, please email:
faithumc.garden@gmail.com.

**REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN!**



FAITH UMC DAY CAMP 2022

**July 11th - July 15th
9:00am - 12:00pm**

**\$50.00 PER CHILD
(APRON + LUNCH PROVIDED)**

REGISTER ONLINE AT:

[HTTPS://VBSPRO.EVENTS/P/EVENTS/FAITHUMCFOODTRUCKPARTY2022](https://vbspro.events/p/events/faithumcfoodtruckparty2022)

YOUTH meets Sunday MINISTRY

TGIF
TOGETHER GROWING IN FAITH

(JR HIGH)
6TH - 8TH



(HIGH SCHOOL)
9TH - 12TH

For more information contact Youth Director,
Darrell Mark, via darrell.faithumc@gmail.com

Hi Families and Friends,

First off Congratulations to the Graduating Class of 2022! We are so proud of you all for such a special accomplishment! We look forward to all that God has planned for you, as you enter the next chapters of your lives! This month we will be celebrating the Graduates on Graduation Sunday! Also, we wish all the Fathers and Father like figures a Happy Father's Day! At the end of the month our Summer Activities kick off and we will be taking a group of Campers, Counselors and Adult Staff to Junior High Camp in Wilseyville, CA at Camp Lodestar! This will be our first summer back in person since before the pandemic. We are so excited to be back! This summer we hope you also keep a look out for Day Camp and Asian Camp information for the Month of July! Thank you for all your continuous support, love and prayers for the youth ministry. All our events, programs and summer ministries are possible because of all of you!

God Bless,
Darrell Mark
Faith UMC Youth Director



SAVE THE DATES



SUMMER CAMP 2022

JUNIOR HIGH CAMP **JUNE 26** — **JULY 1**

ASIAN CAMP **JULY 24** — **JULY 29**

WHERE: CAMP LODESTAR, WILSEYVILLE, CA

REGISTER NOW ON NJAUMCCAMPS.ORG



CALIFORNIA-PACIFIC ANNUAL CONFERENCE

2022 *District & Annual* *Conferences*

JUNE 7 (ONLINE ONLY), JUNE 15 (ONLINE ONLY), AND JUNE 17-18 (HYBRID)

ENDING SPIRITUAL & PHYSICAL HUNGER

THE CALIFORNIA - PACIFIC ANNUAL CONFERENCE



California-Pacific Conference

CALPACUMC.ORG/AC2022

FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN OBSERVING THE CAL-PAC ANNUAL CONFERENCE THIS YEAR...

(FAITH DELEGATES SHOULD HAVE REGISTERED BY NOW)

DATES:

JUNE 7 - LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS; ONLINE

JUNE 15 - BUSINESS OF THE AC; ONLINE

JUNE 17-18 - SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES,
ORDINATION, BISHOP HAGIYA'S RETIREMENT;
HYBRID, ONLINE + IN-PERSON IN COSTA MESA

SCHEDULE AND VIEWING AC CAN BE FOUND/WILL BE
STREAMED AT **CALPACUMC.ORG**

FAITH YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

Simple Church BIBLE STUDY

1ST AND 3RD THURSDAYS

7:30PM

[HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/89294975931](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89294975931)

+1 669 900 9128 US

MEETING ID: 892 9497 5931

5TH THURSDAYS:

MXR - GATHERING

Lectionary Readings Grow deeper in Christ by opening yourself to God's Word, through the study of the Holy Bible. Listed below are the lectionary scripture readings for the month of June. Our Pastors, TGIF and MYF Directors generally preach from one of the lectionary passages in our Worship Services. We invite you to study these passages in preparation for our worship time as well as a means of growing deeper in Christ.

June 5 - Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Romans 8:14-17
John 14:8-17

Communion Sunday
New Member Sunday

June 12 - 1st Sunday after Pentecost

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31
Psalm 8
Romans 5:1-5
John 16:12-15

Graduation Sunday
Trinity Sunday
Peace with Justice Sunday

June 19 - 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 19:1-15a
Psalm 42
Galatians 3:23-29
Luke *:26-39

Father's Day

June 26 - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14
Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20
Galatians 5:1, 13-25
Luke 9:51-62

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
WORSHIP TIMES

8:30AM TRADITIONAL: IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL

9:00AM NIHONGOBU JAPANESE LANGUAGE WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30AM FAITHFUL EXPRESSIONS: IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL



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PENTECOST IS COMING!

On June 5, 2022,
dig your best red out of
the closet and let's
celebrate the Holy Spirit
spreading God's good
news through the world
like wildfire.



JUNE RE-ENTRY UPDATE



FAITH UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH

FAITH IS OPEN FOR WORSHIP AND MINISTRIES! ALL ARE WELCOME, IF YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE TO JOIN US FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP AND MINISTRIES AT FAITH AGAIN. (ONLINE SERVICES, BIBLE STUDIES, AND MEETINGS WILL CONTINUE TO BE OFFERED.)

THE FOLLOWING PROTOCOLS WILL REMAIN THE SAME:

- MASKS MUST CONTINUE TO BE WORN INSIDE. PLEASE PUT YOUR MASK BACK ON AFTER EATING OR DRINKING.
- TEMPERATURE CHECKS ARE NO LONGER MANDATORY, BUT PLEASE SIGN IN AT THE FRONT DOOR FOR CONTACT TRACING IN AN EMERGENCY.
- AT THIS TIME, THE 8:30AM SERVICE HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS A VACCINATED ONLY SERVICE.
- THE SANCTUARY WILL RESUME BEING A SPACE OPEN FOR ALL TO WORSHIP.

ALL MINISTRIES **ARE** ABLE TO PROCEED WITH APPROVAL FROM SENIOR PASTOR & BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PER COMPLETION OF COVID/FACILITY USAGE FORMS.

8:30AM TRADITIONAL, 9:00AM NICHIGOBU, & 10:30AM SERVICES ARE ALL IN-PERSON AND WILL BE BROADCAST LIVE SIMULTANEOUSLY.



JOIN US VIA FACEBOOK, YOUTUBE, OR THROUGH OUR FAITH UMC WEBSITE:

[faithsouthbay](https://www.facebook.com/faithsouthbay)



[faithsouthbay torrance](https://www.youtube.com/faithsouthbaytorrance)



<http://www.faithsouthbay.org>

As we continue to monitor the COVID infection rates in our Beach Cities areas and Los Angeles County, we see a slow but steady increase in infections. Not a cause for alarm, but we continue to be vigilant in keeping our congregation safe.

We have not changed any protocols since last month, but continue to re-enter following these protocols by making safety a priority:

- Reduced chairs (capacity) for each space
- Continued social-distancing to respect those who need the space
- Cleaning protocols are enforced
- Signing-in for attendance and contact tracing.
- Worship and other rooms are set-up at half-capacities (Sanctuary: 120 chairs; Fellowship Hall: 130-160).
- Eating is allowed in the Fellowship Hall, for a maximum of 10 round tables at 6 people each (equalling 60 people max, including volunteers).
- Masks are required inside the church facilities with the exception of eating in the Fellowship Hall. Participants are asked to put masks back on immediately after eating. Masks are not required outside, but are encouraged.
- Eating outside is allowed and social distancing is encouraged.
- We do not check vaccination cards, but for ministries involving outside community members, vaccinations can be mandated per the ministry.

We are unable to control all factors and would be foolish to think we could. Yet we are also asked to move forward in faith, asking God to keep our community safe. Ultimately it is an individual's choice to engage and participate on any level. We look forward to being in worship, mission, and ministry with you in whichever ways work best for you these days!

The Faith Re-Entry Task Force Committee: Donna Iki, (Worship), Stanley Pang, (former AC Chair; In-House Pharmacist), Tam Kobayashi (COM), Jane Matsumoto (AC Chair), Carol Tondo (Welcome) Lay Leaders: Shari Chang (Welcome), Chris Kamatani (Seniors), Derek Murakami, and Staff: Julie Inouye, Minister 'Ainise 'Isama'u, Pastor Becky Hirata, Rev. Allison Mark

CONCERNS OF OUR COMMUNITY

Below are the most recent prayer concerns lifted up in the Faith family; please keep these persons in your prayers...

Mercedes Balboa and Rob Kaaa, friends of Rick Izumi

Jamie Parcon, friend of Rick Izumi, health concerns

Anna Jovan De Guzman-Santos, daughter of Natalia De Guzman, health concerns

Linda Jung, health concerns

Lisa Kuwabara, health concerns

Kay Saxton, health concerns

George Harris, friend of Rick Izumi, health concerns

Paul Tokashiki, health concerns

Mitsuru Yamasaki, health concerns

Bill Maeda, health concerns

Marcia Muntiferog, friend of Rick Izumi, health concerns

Grant Hanada, serious health concerns

Rev. Michael Hiranuma, health concerns

Robin Lee, friend of Rick Izumi, has been diagnosed with cancer

Winnie Osaki, for her determination as she continues to heal, recover and rehabilitate

Anthony Anderson, Sr., uncle of Sharon Sambat, diagnosed with

Frank Matton, friend of Mari & Gary Sakaguchi, recovering from brain surgery

Leslie, Susie & Ellen Inouye, brother & sister-in-law & their daughter to Darrel (Stephanie) Inouye, serious health concerns

Faye Toma, health concerns

Ruth Taira, health concerns

Ola Filemoni, health concerns

Hannah Han, 12 year old friend of Giselle Takara, diagnosed with cancer for a second time

Karlynn Fernandez's husband, friend of Takako Okubo, health concerns

Ivy Toma, health concerns

Sumi Horii health concerns

June Sato, health concerns

Jonathan Moore, friend of Takako Okubo, health concerns

Angie Torres, friend of Patty Kobayashi, health concerns

Carol Dillinger, sister-in-law of Maxine Butcher, prayers for comfort

Sonny Lazo, brother of Sharon Nakamoto, recovering from COVID-19

Victoria DelaTorre, who continues her recovery

Pearl Iizuka, health concerns

Kiyomi Guadagnolo, who continues to grow and recover

Sue Hasegawa, healing and recovery

Karen Murata and family, as her husband, James goes through health issues

Diana Ueda-Banda, who continues her recovery

Ruthie Small, friend of Susan DeGracia, health concerns

Annie Nakao, Friend of Jason Sasaki, whose father passed

Judy Hirsch, friend of Betty Kobata, health concerns

Ginny Yamamoto who continues her recovery

Ruth Hirata, health concerns

Kim & Kaitlyn Sabedra, friends of Jason Sasaki, as Kaitlyn has been recovering from surgery

Shale Mahaffey, Maxine & Roger Butcher's granddaughter, health concerns

Julie Inouye, palm, left hand/chest pains, health concerns

Cathy Chun, health concerns

Raquel M. Martinez, healing, recovery & restoration

Baby Charlotte Cook, friend of Rev. Allison, recovering from heart surgery

Tom Abueg, brother of Lisa Kiyohara, struggling with COVID in Oregon

Dennis Mui, struggling with COVID

Kay Mui, aunt of Julie Inouye, diagnosed with breast cancer

Susan Mizuki, wife of rev. Ruy Mizuki, health concerns

Harriet Tateyama, health concern

Layne Nakasone, son-in-law of Elaine Yoshida, who will be having a bone marrow transplant in AZ early May

Jayne & Tak Watanabe, recovery and hopeful transitions

Terri Matsumoto, for recovery

Miyoko Hataye, health concerns

Chelsea Yamamoto, granddaughter of Jane Kiyohara, for a successful surgery and recovery

Randy Sasaki, for health concerns and recovery

For those experiencing loss...

Prayers for the family of Ray Isa on the passing of Eleanor Isa

Prayers for the Abueg family on the passing of Tom Abueg, brother of Lisa Kiyohara

Prayers for the Bullard family on the passing of our beloved music director, Stephen Bullard

Prayers for Ken Sasaki and family on the passing of Miiko Horikawa, (sister of Ken).

Prayers for Amanda Taketa and family on the passing of her grandfather, Hidehiro Matsukawa and her grandmother, Mrs. Matsukawa on 5/26

Prayers for Natalie Yamaguchi and family on the passing of Tom Yamaguchi.

Prayers for the Miyake family on the passing of Jack Miyake

Edmund and Kari Miyashiro would like to invite the Faith Family to a Celebration of Life for Dawn Miyashiro on August 27, 2022. Please note the date change.

DEDICATED TO THE
FAITH UMC MINISTRY

Marion Antoku
Albert & Lisa Chun
Susan DeGracia
Lorraine Fong
Sue Fujinaga
Audrey Goto
Emi Hamada
Carol Hamamura
Jon & Miki Hayashida
Ramsay & Amy Higa
Danny Hirata
Sumie & Tak Horii
Beverly Iba
Wade & Juliann Inouye
Norma Ishigo
Mary Jung
Alice Kajiya
Sam & Barbara Kobayashi
Greg & Alyson Kubo
Harry Lum
Mel & Barbara Matsukane
Kirk & Kathy Miya
Florence Mizuno
Georgine Morita
Daniel & Amy Murai
Mae Nakakihara
Lorraine Nakama
Mas Oshiro
Wing & Linda Quon
Sakura Chorus
Jane Shimatsu
Joseph & Lilly Shiroma
Shirley Shishido

Jennie Shitakubo
Ruth Taira
Jane Tokubo
Carol Tondo
Don & Colleen Uyeshima
Charlotte Watanabe
Sue Watanabe
Alvin & Janet Yamada
Natalie Yamaguchi
Donald & Elaine Yoshida
June Yoshimi
In memory of Stephen Bullard
Toku Matsuoka
In memory of Mildred Matsuoka
Ned Morioka
In memory of June Morioka
Danny Hirata
Sumie Maruya
In memory of Ray Saruwatari
Jane Tsuda
In memory of Roger Tsuda
Danny Hirata
In memory of Tom Yamaguchi
Sue Watanabe
*In celebration of grandson Reese's
graduation*
Mary Tamura
Asian & Jr. High Camp donation

Norma Ishigo
*Day, Summer & Asian Camp
donation*

Diane Iwamoto
Boy Scout Troop donation

Alice Sasaki
Mother's Day donation

Audrey Goto
Marge Sato
Prime Timers donation

IN KIND DONATION

Wendy Takao
*(75) handmade cards for UMW
& Membership & Care*

DAD Nursery
assorted plants & flowers

Moon Valley Nurseries
*assorted plants & flowers;
potting soil & mulch*

Rainforest Flora
succulents, plants & flowers

Sunflower Farms
*assorted plants, vegetable &
flower plants, avocado tree*

5 COMMUNION SUNDAY

8:30 a (S) Traditional Worship Service

9:00 a (S) Nihongobu Worship Service

10:30 a (S) Worship

- 10:00 a (online) Garden Sunday School
- 12:00 p (A, P) UMW Executive Board Mtg
- 12:30 p (Chen) TGIF/MYF
- 1:00 p (F) Hula Ministry
- 6:00 p (A, P) Ping Pong

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8:30 a (S) Traditional Worship Service

9:00 a (S) Nihongobu Worship Service

10:30 a (S) Worship

- 10:30 a (outdoor) Garden Sunday School
- 12:30 p (Chen) TGIF/MYF
- 3:00 p (F) Girl Scout 5365
- 6:00 p (A, P) Ping Pong

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8:30 a (S) Traditional Worship Service

9:00 a (S) Nihongobu Worship Service

10:30 a (S) Worship

- 10:30 a (online) Garden Sunday School
- 12:30 p (Chen) TGIF/MYF
- 6:00 p (A, P) Ping Pong

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8:30 a (S) Traditional Worship Service

9:00 a (S) Nihongobu Worship Service

10:30 a (S) Worship

- 10:30 a (S) Garden Sunday School
- 12:00 p (online) Open Arms
- 12:30 p (Chen) TGIF/MYF
- 1:00 p (online) Town Hall Meeting
- 3:00 p (F) Girl Scout 5365
- 5:00 p (F) Japanese Movie Night
- 6:00 p (A, P) Ping Pong

JUNIOR HIGH CAMP

6 Office Closed

- 9:00 a (online) Faithful Healing
- 7:00 p (online) J-Manga

13 Office Closed

- 5:30 p (online) Re-entry Meeting
- 6:00 p (F, A, P) Girl Scout 14845
- 7:00 p (online) Youth Parent Mtg
- 7:30 p (online) Nihongobu Bible Study

20 Office Closed

- 9:00 a (online) Faithful Healing
- 7:00 p (online) J-Manga
- 7:00 p (online) Social Actions

27 Office Closed

- 5:30 p (online) Re-entry Meeting
- 7:30 p (online) Nihongobu Bible Study

JUNIOR HIGH CAMP

7

- 9:45 a (S) Sakura Chorus
- 10:30 a (online) Bible Study
- 6:00 p (F, A, P, outside Chen) Boy Scout Troop 719
- 7:00 p (online) Garden Teachers Mtg
- 7:30 p (online) Trustees

ANNUAL CONFERENCE (ONLINE)

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- 9:45 a (S) Sakura Chorus
- 10:30 a (online) Bible Study
- 11:30 a (F, K) MSG
- 6:00 p (F, A, P, outside Chen) Boy Scout Troop 719
- 7:00 p (online) SPRC

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- 9:45 a (S) Sakura Chorus
- 10:30 a (online) Bible Study
- 6:00 p (F, A, P, outside Chen) Boy Scout Troop 719
- 7:00 p (online) Finance

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- 9:45 a (S) Sakura Chorus
- 10:30 a (online) Bible Study
- 6:00 p (F, A, P, outside Chen) Boy Scout Troop 719
- 7:30 p (online) Ad Council

JUNIOR HIGH CAMP

WEDNESDAY**1**

4:00 p (Chen) Music Lesson (KM)
 6:30 p (S) Choir Practice
 7:00 p (online) Bible Study
 7:00 p (S) String/woodwind
 practice

8

10:00 a (F) Women in Transition
 4:00 p (Chen) Music Lesson (KM)
 6:30 p (S) Choir Practice
 7:00 p (online) Bible Study
 7:00 p (S) String/woodwind
 practice

15

8:30 a (F) Senior Hangout
 4:00 p (Chen) Music Lesson (KM)
 6:30 p (S) Choir Practice
 7:00 p (online) Bible Study
 7:00 p (S) String/woodwind
 practice

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE
 (ONLINE)**

22 SHARED BREAD

4:00 p (Chen) Music Lesson (KM)
 6:30 p (S) Choir Practice
 7:00 p (online) Bible Study
 7:00 p (S) String/woodwind
 practice

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4:00 p (Chen) Music Lesson (KM)
 6:30 p (S) Choir Practice
 7:00 p (online) Bible Study
 7:00 p (S) String/woodwind
 practice

JUNIOR HIGH CAMP**THURSDAY****2**

10:30 a (F) Logos Bible Study
 7:00 p (online) Blessed Are You
 7:00 p (S) One Love Band Practice
 7:30 p (online) Simple Church
 Bible Study

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7:00 p (S) One Love Band Practice

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10:30 a (F) Logos Bible Study
 7:00 p (online) Blessed Are You
 7:00 p (S) One Love Band Practice
 7:30 p (online) Simple Church
 Bible Study

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7:00 p (S) One Love Band Practice

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7:00 p (S) One Love Band Practice

JUNIOR HIGH CAMP**FRIDAY****3****10**

8:00 a (offsite) Men's Breakfast
 10:00 a (F) Senior Hangout
 signups
 6:00 p (F) North Stars Prep

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6:00 p (F) Go For Broke

SATURDAY**4**

8:30 a (Chen) Music Lessons-KM
 8:30 a (S) Kids Ukulele Practice
 9:00 a (K) Blessed Bento
 10:15 a (P) Kids Ukulele Practice

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8:00 a (Chen/K) Social Action/
 Sandwich Ministry
 8:30 a (Chen) Music Lessons-KM
 8:30 a (S) Kids Ukulele Practice
 10:00 a (F) Senior Hangout
 signups
 10:15 a (P) Kids Ukulele Practice
 10:30 a (A) Prime Timers Prep
 12:30 p Prime Timers Drive thru

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8:30 a (Chen) Music Lessons-KM
 8:30 a (S) Kids Ukulele Practice
 9:00 a (A) Keiro Bento Prep
 10:15 a (P) Kids Ukulele Practice
 11:30 a Keiro Bento Drive Thru

ANNUAL CONFERENCE**25**

8:30 a (Chen) Music Lessons-KM
 8:30 a (S) Kids Ukulele Practice
 10:00 a (online) COM Meeting
 10:15 a (P) Kids Ukulele Practice
 1:00 p UMW Food Drive



HELLO, SUMMER!!

Join us at our Faith Marketplace on Saturday, July 9th. We're celebrating hot, sunny days with good food (gourmet hot dogs, corn on the cob, spam musubi), yummy cold treats, and a huge bake sale!

Love to shop? Find your next treasure at the Faith "Little" Store!

Take a chance and enter to win fun items at our "Leap of Faith" opportunity drawing!! So many great prizes!! Pre-sale, discounted tickets (for the 7/9 drawings) will be available for purchase starting on Sunday, June 12th, at Faith.

Listen for more information during Sunday worship announcements. For other questions on how to donate or help, email us at faithumc.fundraising@gmail.com.



Leap of Faith Opportunity Drawing

@ the Faith Marketplace

Drawing Date:
SATURDAY JULY 9, 2022

Donations Requested:

- Gift Baskets (*valued at \$50 minimum*)
- Gift Cards (*ex. restaurants, grocery stores, department stores, etc.*)
- Big ticket items (*ex. electronics, tickets, etc.*)
- Lessons (*ex. music lessons, cooking lessons, craft classes, technology lessons, etc.*)
- Other Talents (*ex. Meals, baked goods, handmade/one-of-a kind, etc.*)

Donation Interest Form: <https://tinyurl.com/FUMC-Leap-of-Faith>

Donation Collection Deadline: Wednesday, July 6. (*drop off at church*)

Money donations welcome.
Checks payable to "Faith UMC" with memo "Raffle 2022"
or Venmo @FaithUMC-SouthBay

Faith Bento Ministries

About our program

Faith UMC loves and values our Seniors and continues to find new and innovative ways to support our Seniors, Primetimers, and Caregivers. **Blessed Bento** (1st Saturdays) has always been a program to support our "homebound" and participants. **Keiro Bento** (3rd Saturdays) is a NEW program that supports ALL of our Seniors and Caregivers, so that you won't have to prepare an extra meal that week!

Although Blessed Bento has always supported itself, with a generous grant through Keiro Grants Program, we are able to subsidize all of our meals for our Seniors, so sign up today!

BLESSED BENTO

Who is this program for?

- Homebound Seniors
- Seniors participants who have requested delivery.

How do you sign up?

1. If you are not already a participant, you can register by contacting the Faith office: 310.217.7000 or communications@faithsouthbay.org.
2. Blessed Bento callers will contact you to confirm delivery.

How are your meals prepared and delivered?

On the 1st Saturdays of the month, the Blessed Bento Ministry will make and prepare meals. Your deliveries will be made to participants homes by our BB Team early that afternoon.

Love Offerings

Blessed Bento and Keiro Bento are ministries of Faith and made with love. Any monetary gifts made to Faith UMC will go toward sustaining our Faith Bento Ministries (Memo line: BENTO MINISTRIES or Blessed Bento/Keiro Bento)

What is a "Well-ness Check"?

To best support our seniors and caregivers, when we confirm our monthly orders, we will be asking 3 simple questions:

1. How are you doing?
2. Is there anything Faith can do to support you?
3. Do you need a pastoral care call or visit?

Our Community Partners

In addition to Keiro Grant Program, Faith UMC is excited to partner with our local South Bay restaurants and local eateries. We hope to rotate and support local businesses and restaurants such as Shin-Sen-Gumi, The Local Place, Nijiya, N Cafe, and other local eateries.

Faith UMC South Bay Contact Information

2115 W. 182nd Street, Torrance, CA 90503 * Phone: 310.217.7000 * Email: communications@faithsouthbay.org

Keiro BENTO

Who is this program for?

- ALL Seniors
- Caregivers (Limit 2)

How do you sign up?

1. Participants must call monthly to sign up by contacting the Faith office: 310.217.7000 or communications@faithsouthbay.org. For the month of June, there are only a few meals left. Please call before June 3.
2. Faith staff will call each month to confirm your # of meals, if you are able to pick up your meals, and will ask our 3 "Well-ness Check" questions.

How do you pick up your meals?

On the 3rd Saturday of the month, a different local restaurant and eatery will create a Bento Box for our participants. Pick up will be between 11:30am-12:30pm in the Faith Parking lot. *(If unable to pick-up, please let us know during your confirmation call.)*

PRIME TIMERS

The Prime Timers ministry is open to all seniors and retired members of our community. We hope that you will join us for one of our upcoming events.

For more information about the Prime Timers, please contact: Chris Kamatani (310) 612-7826.

In honor and celebration of the Prime Timer parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles among us, we're holding a "tasty" **Parents' Day Drive-Thru**

Saturday, June 11, 2022 12:30 to 2 pm

Faith UMC Church parking lot

Lunch will be catered from Tasty Kitchen, Gardena

Cost: \$10 per lunch

Please call the Church office for a pick up time

(310) 217-7000



Save the date: **July 9, 2022**

We'll be enjoying some in person gentle TAI CHI with Chris Riccardi
Details to come.

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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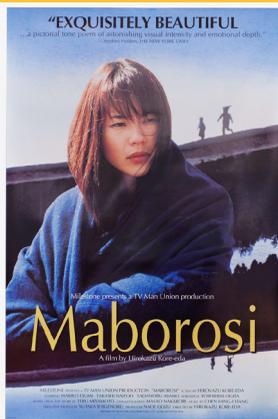
FREE ADMISSION
& POPCORN!

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EVERY THIRD
SUNDAY OF
THE MONTH
@ 5PM

JAPANESE MOVIE NIGHT

JAPANESE AUDIO/ENGLISH SUBTITLES



Kore-eda with the 1997 masterpiece "Maborosi" has earned the right to be considered with Kurosawa, Bergman and other great humanists of the cinema. His films embrace the mystery of life, and encourage us to think about why we are here, and what makes us truly happy....Roger Ebert

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SUNDAY, JUNE 26TH
@ 5PM
(Showing on 4th Sunday as
3rd Sunday is Father's Day)

**FEATURING
MABOROSI**

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH / 2115 WEST 182ND STREET, TORRANCE 90504

FOR MORE INFORMATION: 310.217.7000 / FAITHSOUTHBAY.ORG

THERE WILL BE A SHORT REFLECTION AFTER THE MOVIES

FAITH HULA IS BACK!

FIRST CLASS BACK:
SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2022,
1:00PM

FAITH FELLOWSHIP HALL

CLASSES: 1ST AND 3RD SUNDAYS,
(WITH EXCEPTION OF FATHER'S DAY, JUNE 19)

INSTRUCTOR: KEVIN TSUTSUI

ASSISTANT: AMANDA TAKETA

CONTACT: COMMUNICATIONS@FAITHSOUTHBAY.ORG TO JOIN

Faith Van Ministry & Ride Shares



We're restarting our Van Ministry for Sunday Mornings, but we need to know if you're interested, need a ride, and what kind of support you need!

For the month of June, we will be "test-driving" our return of pick-ups and drop-offs on the 3rd Sunday of the month, Sunday, June 19, 2022.

If you would like to arrange for a ride, please contact Glenn Sakurai at communications@faithsouthbay.org or by calling the Church Office, 310.217.7000.

If you would like to help DRIVE our seniors, please contact Glenn as well to be a part of the vanpool driver rotation or if you can help with pick ups of seniors in areas near you!



Senior HangOut

Returning
Wednesday, June 15



Join us for a few hours of fun, fellowship and refreshments.

We play games such as hanafuda, hand-and-foot, 21 and mahjong.

If you are not a game person, you can sit around and "talk story", quilting or get help with your ipad.

Bring a friend for this wonderful fellowship time.



REGISTRATION

June 10 and 11 (Friday and Saturday) from 10am - 12 Noon

- Seniors can fill out a NEW Health/Medical Information Form (needs to be updated annually for seniors)
- Bring your vaccination card
- Information will be handed out explaining protocol for Senior Hangout
- NOTE: Hangout has moved to 1st and 3rd WEDNESDAYS of the month.



Looking forward to "hanging out" together again this summer!





smallgroups
"we can't do life alone."

Faith Small Groups

Can't find a Faith Bible Study or Small Group that fits your needs?
Maybe you're not the only one?

Please contact the church office (communications@faithsouthbay.org)
or (310) 217-7000, so we can connect you with a group or help you
launch a group of your own at Faith!



VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY

**Sunday Coffee & Fellowship will be on pause as we resume our
In-Person services**

WEEKLY CLERGY-LED BIBLE STUDIES:

TUESDAY MORNINGS, 10:30AM

WEDNESDAY MIDWEEK, 7:00PM

THURSDAY SIMPLE CHURCH, 7:30PM (CONTACT CHURCH OFFICE FOR LINK)

JOIN ZOOM MEETING

[HTTPS://ZOOM.US/J/5883329633](https://zoom.us/j/5883329633) <---- THIS IS THE LINK TO ACCESS THE CONFERENCE CALL

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THEN WHEN PROMPTED, DIAL THE MEETING ID, FOLLOWED BY THE # SIGN:**

MEETING ID: 588 332 9633#

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

We gather at 10:30am every Tuesday

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5883329633>

If you've tried Bible studies before but found them difficult to understand or irrelevant to your life, you should spend some time with us. Our conversations are engaging, honest, and practical. Come and enjoy!

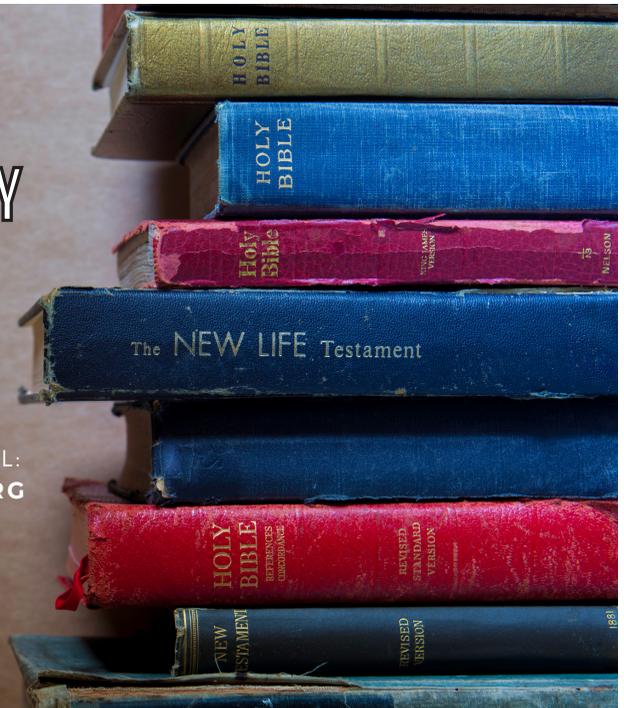
If you're interested, please contact the church via email communications@faithsouthbay.org or call at (310) 217-7000.



MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY

EVERY WEDNESDAY
AT 7:00PM

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED:
PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH VIA EMAIL:
COMMUNICATIONS@FAITHSOUTHBAY.ORG
OR CALL AT **(310) 217-7000**.



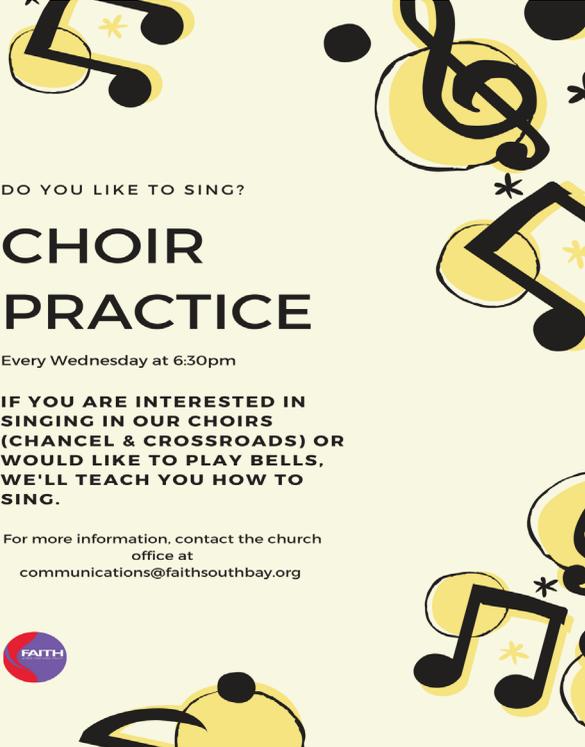


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Once a month, Fridays, 8:00am
 Next meeting June 10
 Offsite at Country Touch Cafe

Once a month men (all generations) gather for food and fellowship.
 Please sign up with Herb Aoyama or Roger Butcher or contact the church office at communications@faithsouthbay.org



DO YOU LIKE TO SING?

CHOIR PRACTICE

Every Wednesday at 6:30pm

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SINGING IN OUR CHOIRS (CHANCEL & CROSSROADS) OR WOULD LIKE TO PLAY BELLS, WE'LL TEACH YOU HOW TO SING.

For more information, contact the church office at communications@faithsouthbay.org





Faithful Healing

Join Alan Saruwatari, CST, a shiatsu therapist and Qi Gong practitioner at One, Natural Healing Center as he walks you through ways to strengthen your natural healing abilities and take an active role in the healing process through a meditation that connects with your Christian faith. ***Feel God's love as you calm your mind, relax your body and brighten your spirit!***

Every 1st and 3rd Mondays at 9:00am.

If you're interested: please email **Alan Saruwatari** at One.nhc@att.net for zoom information.



LOGOS BIBLE STUDY

**1ST & 3RD THURSDAYS
AT 10:30AM LED BY REV. ALLISON**

REV. ALLISON IS OUR INSPIRATIONAL LOGOS TEACHER. COME JOIN THIS GROUP IF YOU DESIRE TO GROW DEEPER IN CHRIST.

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED:
PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH VIA EMAIL:
COMMUNICATIONS@FAITHSOUTHBAY.ORG
OR CALL AT (310) 217-7000.

YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION ON THE
CHURCH WEBSITE: WWW.FAITHSOUTHBAY.ORG

Blessed Are You WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

EVERY 1ST AND 3RD THURSDAYS
FROM 7:00PM - 9:00PM

Bible study group for women of all ages and stages in life. Women spend a special time with God in a tranquil and soothing environment, created especially for a spiritual experience that is comforting, supportive, accepting, and affirming to sisters in faith.

If you're interested, please contact the church via email
communications@faithsouthbay.org or call at (310) 217-7000.

YOU CAN GET IN TOUCH WITH THE CHAIRS AND COORDINATORS OF YOUR GROUP VIA THEIR CHURCH EMAILS AND/OR CONTACTING THE CHURCH OFFICE (310) 217-7000

**Women in Transition:
WGSG: Women's Grief
& Support Group**
**Next meeting:
June 8 at 10:00am**



We welcome all women to join us for encouragement, support, fellowship & spiritual growth as we journey through various transitions in our lives, such as loss of loved ones, friends, job, health & loneliness. This Spring, we are launching TWO separate tracts: Women's Grief & Support Group (WGSG) and Women in Transitions (WIT). The first tract is for those experiencing loss and grief and would like to process together. The second tract is a group discussion on what it means to move into new transitions. We will join together again for lunch. Rev. Allison and Minister 'Ainise Isama'u will co-facilitate these two tracts.

For more information contact Rev. Allison,
communications@faithsouthbay.org



Senior hang-out
Next meeting: June 15

Senior Hangout is preparing to return on June 15 and will be registering participants for the program on designated Sundays on June 10 and 11. Due to current COVID-19 protocols still in place, we are asking that all Senior Hangout participants be vaccinated.

Join us for a few hours of fun, fellowship and refreshments. We play games such as hanafuda, hand-and-foot, 21 and mahjong. If you are not a game person, you can sit around and "talk story", quilt or get help with your ipad or smartphone. Bring a friend for this wonderful fellowship time.

Coordinators: Joanne Sato and David Sato. For more information, contact Joanne Sato or contact the church office, communications@faithsouthbay.org

MISO & TOFU Parenting Groups
Family Movie Nights TBA this Summer



We'll be inviting Moms and Dads with children of all ages to participate in a newly resurrected MISO (Mom's in Search Of group) and group for Dads (TOFU: The Open-Hearted Father's Unite? Ok, we're still working on it, folks!). Planning outings, gatherings, and events for parents and families, this collective group of other parents can share knowledge and experiences in parenting with one another. If you are interested and want to participate, please contact Church Life Coordinator, Minister Ainise Isama'u akisamau@faithsouthbay.org so we can start planning our groups!

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(310) 217-7000

caregivers' support

The Caregivers' Support provides support to adults who are caring for aging parents and spouses. We also provide resources in the fields of elder care, Alzheimer's disease, and other end-of-life issues. In the Fall, the church family is invited to a "5-Wishes Workshop" which is helpful for Caregivers, Seniors, and their children. Stay tuned for more details.

Please do contact Karen Ageno or the church office for Caregiver Resource information..

communications@faithsouthbay.org

Men's Support Group (MSG)

Next meeting:

June 14 at 11:30am

The Men's Support Group is mainly for widowers. We share the experience of loss of loved ones, but also explore redefining their lives and significance in face of this loss. They meet to (1) experience cooking and sharing foods together under the leadership of Ralph Ichikawa, and (2) listen to participants' life experience as they see their significance in light of Christian belief.

For more information, contact Mas Oshiro or contact the church office.
communications@faithsouthbay.org

Open Arms Support Group



Last Sunday of Month, 12:00 pm (online)

The Open Arms Support Group's mission is to provide a place of love and support for lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender and queer individuals (LGBTQ), as well as for their families, friends and allies. In addition to promoting a greater understanding and respect, the group seeks to provide educational resources related to LGBTQ issues and challenges.

Our goal is to become an inclusive faith community that embraces all individuals regardless of ethnicity, race, color, nationality, age, physical ability, family structure, social or economic status, sexual orientation or gender identity. It is our hope and prayer that whoever wishes to participate fully in the life and ministry of Faith UMC may do so freely, openly and unconditionally in accordance with God's plan and grace.

Please feel free to contact Derek Murakami
openarms@faithsouthbay.org

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Going farther for Christ

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